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### **What and where is Sun City AZ?**

Sun City AZ, conveniently located just thirty minutes from downtown Phoenix, Arizona, is the very best value for the dollar in a 55+ active adult community in the U.S. today! Friendliness, beauty, convenience, and value are the things that make this community unique. Sun City AZ is seven miles long and three miles wide with everything you need in between. It's unique in almost every sense – architecturally, culturally, environmentally, and socially. Sun City AZ is actually not a city at all; it is an unincorporated community in Maricopa County. The County is responsible for the streets, medians, codes, zoning and law enforcement. Sun City AZ is one of the best places in the world to live and retire!

### **What amenities are available in Sun City AZ?**

The Recreation Centers of Sun City, Inc. (RCSC) is a non-profit, private corporation that owns and operates recreational and social facilities in Sun City AZ – eight recreation centers, eight golf courses, two bowling centers, an open-air amphitheater, a dog park, and a 33 acre man-made lake. Located at the recreation centers are a variety of activities such as swimming, fitness centers, numerous sports, and more than 130 chartered clubs, offering something for everyone! Usage of RCSC facilities is restricted to Cardholders and their invited guests except for golf courses and bowling leagues. In addition to RCSC's eight golf courses, there are three private/semi-private golf clubs in Sun City AZ along with numerous shopping areas, grocery stores, financial institutions, thirty churches, a synagogue, Banner Boswell Hospital and numerous health care centers, and continuum of care living facilities.

### **When was Sun City AZ built?**

Sun City AZ, with its numerous amenities, events and volunteer spirit, did not happen overnight. But the Sun City idea – a master-planned community built specifically for active adults – turned the way that folks traditionally thought about retirement upside down. Del Webb knew then what we still know is true today, *"Concrete, steel and lumber make the buildings, but people make the community."* Sun City AZ opened on January 1, 1960 and was completed by 1982; however, in 2017 construction was completed on an additional pocket of 140 single-family homes.

### **What are Sun City AZ's age restrictions (Federal Age Overlay)?**

Sun City AZ is an active adult community; the age limitation is built into the deed restrictions under the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and the Arizona Fair Housing Act, collectively known as the Fair Housing Acts. At least one occupant of each residential unit must be 55 years of age or older and no person under 19 years of age shall occupy or reside in a residential unit for more than 90 days in any 12-month period. The Sun City Home Owners Association is responsible for enforcing the age restrictions. There is no age requirement on property ownership in Sun City AZ.

### **What about children in Sun City AZ?**

Children are among Sun City AZ's most welcome visitors! As a matter of fact, our swimming pools have special children hours where kids are allowed to frolic and play in the water, but that is just one of Sun City's activities available for children. Other activities available in Sun City AZ for children are billiards, bocce, bowling, darts, fishing, fitness centers, golf, horseshoes, lawn bowling, miniature golf, paddle and row boats, pickleball, racquetball, shuffleboard, table tennis, and tennis. For age requirements, please see the Recreation Centers of Sun City (RCSC) Board Policy Resolution No. 10 <https://suncityaz.org/rcsc-board-policy-resolution-no-10/>. Outside of Sun City AZ there are numerous activities available for children; please ask for our list of these.

No elementary or high school taxes in Sun City AZ make our property taxes some of the lowest in the nation. More good news is that because we are unincorporated, there is no city sales tax when making purchases in the community. You just can't beat the value in Sun City AZ!

### **What about entertainment in Sun City AZ?**

In Sun City AZ we believe opportunities should be limitless, choices should be endless, and life should be enjoyed to the fullest. Imagine a community designed around letting you do whatever you want to do and be whomever you feel like being. Life is really what you make it, and nowhere is that more true than in Sun City AZ! Entertainment is abundant in Sun City AZ and most of it is free if you are an RCSC Cardholder. Every spring and fall there is amazing entertainment at our open-air amphitheater and during the winter and summer months, we move those amazing concerts and entertainers into our large auditorium at the Sundial Center. You name it, it's within reach!

### **What's available at the eight recreation centers?**

Located throughout the 14.8 square miles, 9,472 acres that make up Sun City AZ are eight recreation centers, spanning from north to south, available to RCSC Cardholders and their invited guests. Not only have most of these recreation centers been significantly updated recently and all paid for in cash, as Sun City AZ continues to operate debt free, there also exists one of the largest overall photovoltaic solar installations of any community in Arizona today! In addition, Cardholders and their guests may enjoy half-court basketball, billiards, boating/fishing, bocce, bowling, darts, fitness centers, horseshoes, jogging/walking tracks (both indoor and outdoor), lawn bowling, mini golf, pickleball, racquetball, shuffleboard, spas, swimming pools, table tennis, tennis and walking pools. Plus, over 130 clubs, offering something for everyone, are located at the recreation centers too. Arts and Crafts Clubs such as stained glass, weavers & knitters, ceramics, quilters, clay, leather craft, china painting, silver craft, lapidary and woodworking are available for those with and without experience alike. Numerous educational, sports, dance, exercise, music, national, and card/ game clubs are also available. A variety of social clubs, as well as other clubs, such as photography, gardening, Handi-capables and a dog club all provide an excellent opportunity for residents to become active and involved in the Sun City AZ community.

### **What is an RCSC Cardholder?**

Recreation Center of Sun City (RCSC) Cardholders include two categories: Members and Privilege Cardholders. RCSC Members are Sun City AZ property owners who meet specific qualifications. Non-Owners, renters, tenants, lessees, and/or occupants of property located in Sun City AZ may be entitled to purchase a Privilege Card provided they meet certain eligibility requirements.

### **Can golf carts really be driven on the streets of Sun City AZ?**

Yes. Golf carts, which must be licensed and registered with the Arizona Department of Motor Vehicles, can be driven on all streets within Sun City AZ with a speed limit at or less than 35 mph. Many residents use golf carts as a more convenient, affordable means of transportation to the grocery store, medical appointments and the like.

### **Is there employment available in Sun City AZ?**

Sun City AZ, being part of the Phoenix metropolitan area has never-ending employment opportunities. The Recreation Centers of Sun City, Inc. (RCSC) is a non-profit, private corporation that owns and operates approximately \$95 million in recreational and social facilities in Sun City, Arizona. RCSC manages a \$22 million budget and employs approximately 365 employees, both part- and full-time. Around 65% of RCSC employees are Sun City AZ residents. In addition, within Sun City AZ there is potential employment in health care, professional services, retail, food service, janitorial, mechanical and maintenance.

### **What type of housing is available in Sun City AZ?**

Whether residents choose to live in Sun City AZ year-round or seasonally, Sun City AZ has a large selection of homes styles and sizes that range from 730 to 3,200 square feet or more. Each is designed to suit the needs of its varied residents. We invite you to click on the "Housing" tab on our website [www.suncityaz.org](http://www.suncityaz.org) where you will find considerable information about the wide variety of housing options. Several independent/assisted living facilities, including long-term care, are also an option.

### **Who regulates private residences in Sun City AZ?**

The Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions ("CC&Rs" or "deed restrictions") for Sun City AZ were revised and restated in 1998 (<http://www.suncityhoa.org/cc-and-r-overview/>). The Sun City Home Owner Association (SCHOA) is responsible for enforcing these deed restrictions in Sun City AZ. Although SCHOA membership is not mandatory, compliance to the deed restrictions is required by every Sun City AZ property owner.

### **What's the weather like in Sun City AZ?**

Sunny and beautiful! January has the lowest average low of the year around 41°F and July has the highest average high of around 108°F with an average precipitation of 8-9 inches per year. You may have already heard that it is a dry heat in Arizona. The low humidity truly does make a difference.

### **What's missing from Sun City AZ?**

For those of us who live in Sun City AZ, we can't think of anything except – **YOU!**

**For information about annual fees, clubs & activities, cost of living, golf, healthcare facilities, housing options and recreation centers in Sun City AZ we invite you to our website [www.suncityaz.org](http://www.suncityaz.org).**